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(North Dakota) North Dakota's oil boom creates 'emerging market' for Mexico's cartels. The Mexican drug cartels have extended their reach into North Dakota, a federal law enforcement official told CNN. The official says a number of organized criminals, including the Mexican cartels, arrived in North Dakota in recent years from places like Southern California and other areas along the West Coast.

<http://www.cnn.com/2015/12/14/us/north-dakota-bakken-oil-mexico-drug-cartels/index.html>

(North Dakota) Releases from dams temporarily shutdown. Officials reported December 8 that releases from the Jamestown and Pipestem dams in North Dakota were temporarily shut down due to the reduced river levels caused by the releases. <http://www.jamestownsun.com/news/local/3898798-releases-dams-temporarily-shut-down>

(North Dakota) Fire forces evacuation of retirement center in Casselton. A December 5 fire at Casselwood Retirement Center in North Dakota prompted an evacuation of the building and displaced 21 residents. Officials are investigating the cause of the fire and reported that the facility will be closed until further notice. <http://www.inforum.com/news/3897363-fire-forces-evacuation-retirement-center-casselton>

(North Dakota) 10 hour long Operation No Sanctuary nets 22 arrests on Spirit Lake Reservation for drug related offenses and other serious crimes. The US Marshals' High Plains Fugitive Task Force and the Bureau of Indian Affairs executed a large warrant operation on the Spirit Lake Indian Reservation where 22 people were arrested in Operation No Sanctuary on Wednesday. The process targeted fugitives in the Spirit Lake and Devils Lake area wanted on federal, state, local and tribal warrants for felony drug offenses and other serious crimes. <http://www.wday.com/news/3900509-10-hour-long-operation-no-sanctuary-nets-22-arrests-spirit-lake-reservation-drug>

(North Dakota) Police investigating possible hate crime at North Dakota restaurant. A Somali restaurant in northeast North Dakota, which was hit with graffiti last week telling the owner to "go home," caught fire on Tuesday, prompting authorities to investigate the incidents as possible hate crimes.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-northdakota-hatecrime-idUSKBN0TS08M20151209#GYcvKOxpYCSMtG0L97>

REGIONAL

(Minnesota) 10th Terrorism Suspect Arrested in Eagan, MN. A 20-year-old Somali-American from Eagan was arrested by the FBI Wednesday night on charges of supplying material support to terrorists in Syria and Iraq, according to federal authorities and court documents. <http://www.wday.com/news/3900481-10th-terrorism-suspect-arrested-eagan-mn>

(Minnesota) State is fined \$63K for safety violations at security hospital in St. Peter. The Minnesota Occupational Safety and Health Administration issued a \$63,000 fine to the Minnesota Department of Human Services December 9 for failing to protect workers at the St. Peter psychiatric hospital from violent assaults by patients following 9 incidents that occurred between May and July. The hospital has implemented additional security measures including the installation of new security cameras and intensified staff training, among other measures. <http://www.startribune.com/state-mental-hospital-fined-63-000-for-workplace-safety-violations/361297781/>

(Montana) Overnight fire triggers evacuation at University of Great Falls dormitory. Students from Providence Hall at the University of Great Falls in Montana were evacuated and relocated December 3 due to a small fire that began in a second floor bathroom. Students will be able to return to the dormitory once officials complete smoke removal and evaluate the total amount of damage. <http://www.krtv.com/story/30660972/overnight-fire-triggers-evacuation-at-university-of-great-falls-dormitory>

NATIONAL

(National) Army to stop putting Social Security numbers on dog tags. The U.S. Army announced December 8 that soldiers' Social Security numbers will no longer be imprinted on dog tags and will instead be replaced with a 10-digit, randomly-generated number. The change will be implemented on an as-needed basis.

<http://www.armytimes.com/story/military/careers/army/2015/12/08/army-stop-putting-social-security-numbers-dog-tags/76984792/>

(National) Farook planned earlier terror attack, says pal who supplied guns in San Bernardino shooting. The neighbor of Syed Rizwan Farook who bought the rifles used in last week's deadly terror attack in Southern California has told authorities Farook aborted an earlier attack.

<http://www.foxnews.com/us/2015/12/09/investigators-believe-syed-farook-planned-attack-prior-to-san-bernardino/>

(National) FBI to sharply expand system for tracking fatal police shootings. The FBI announced December 8 its current tracking system that gathers information on violent police encounters in the U.S. will be replaced by 2017 and will include the tracking of incidents in which an officer causes serious injury or death to civilians, and data collection that is share with the public in near real-time.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/national/fbi-to-sharply-expand-system-for-tracking-fatal-police-shootings/2015/12/08/a60fbc16-9dd4-11e5-bce4-708fe33e3288_story.html

INTERNATIONAL

(International) 300 American ISIS Supporters Help Islamic State Recruitment, Propaganda On Twitter. No fewer than 300 American sympathizers are helping the Islamic State terrorist group recruit potential members and spread propaganda via Twitter, according to a new report from George Washington University's Program on Extremism. The report drew on court records, media

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reports, interviews and other sources to find that U.S. supporters of the group, aka ISIS, “spasmodically create accounts that often get suspended in a never-ending cat-and-mouse game.” <http://www.ibtimes.com/300-american-isis-supporters-help-islamic-state-recruitment-propaganda-twitter-2207702>

(International) Putin says Russia backs Free Syrian Army alongside Assad troops.

President Vladimir Putin said on Friday Russia is supporting the opposition Free Syrian Army, providing it with air cover, arms and ammunition in joint operations with Syrian troops against Islamist militants. <http://www.reuters.com/article/us-mideast-crisis-syria-russia-putin-idUSKBN0TU1B020151211#mApoOBeq5iCiZpkS.97>

(International) Google brings safe browsing to Chrome for Android. Google released its Safe Browsing technology in Google Play Services version 8.1, and Chrome for Android version 46 and above versions that will warn users when accessing a flagged Web site, including social engineering, phishing, and other malicious Web sites. <http://www.securityweek.com/google-brings-safe-browsing-chrome-android>

(International) Russian cyberspies use updated arsenal to attack defense contractors. Researchers from Kaspersky Lab reported that Russian-linked cyber espionage group, Pawn Storm, which targets international military, media, defense, and government organizations has updated its data theft tools and is utilizing a new version of the AZZY trojan which is being delivered by another piece of malware instead of a zero-day exploit. The new AZZY backdoor also uses an external library for command and control (C&C) communications. <http://www.securityweek.com/russian-cyberspies-use-updated-arsenal-attack-defense-contractors>

(International) International operation disrupts dorkbot botnet. Global law enforcement agencies have partnered with Microsoft, ESET, and CERT Polska to disrupt the Dorkbot botnet, dubbed Nrgbot, after the malware spread through multiple channels, including Universal Serial Bus (USB) flash drives, instant messaging programs, social network sites, exploit kits (EK), and spam emails, affecting over a million computers in 190 countries. Researchers advised users to keep their antivirus programs updated at all times to ensure proper protection from the malware that steals personal information and credentials and distributes

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other forms of malware. <http://www.securityweek.com/international-operation-disrupts-dorkbot-botnet>

BANKING AND FINANCE INDUSTRY

(New York) New York man charged with bank fraud. A Brooklyn man was charged in Pennsylvania December 8 on 3 counts of bank fraud for receiving \$9.3 million worth of loans, loan modifications, and loan extensions from Republic First Bank by submitting fraudulent documents that claimed his \$2 million investment portfolio was worth \$26 million to \$60 million at different times. <https://www.fbi.gov/philadelphia/press-releases/2015/new-york-man-charged-with-bank-fraud>

(International) U.S. citizen deported from Uganda to face counterfeiting charges in western Pennsylvania. Officials in Pennsylvania announced December 7 that a U.S. citizen was extradited from the Republic of Uganda and charged with allegedly operating a worldwide cyber counterfeiting scheme that circulated over \$1.4 million in fake U.S. Federal Reserve Notes from December 2013 – December 2014. <https://www.fbi.gov/pittsburgh/press-releases/2015/u.s.-citizen-deported-from-uganda-to-face-counterfeiting-charges-in-western-pennsylvania>

(International) Botnet takes “shotgun” approach to hack PoS systems. Researchers at Trend Micro reported a new campaign dubbed operation Black Atlas that targets point-of-sale (PoS) systems at small and medium sized businesses and healthcare organizations worldwide utilizing various penetration testing tools including brute force, Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (SMTP) scanners, and remote desktop viewers. Black Atlas received its name from the BlackPOS malware, works in stages, and uses variants of other known malware, allowing hackers to potentially steal sensitive information. <http://www.securityweek.com/botnet-takes-shotgun-approach-hack-pos-systems>

(Massachusetts) Two Massachusetts men indicted in massive stolen identity tax refund fraud scheme. Two Dominican men residing in Massachusetts were charged December 3 for allegedly participating in a scheme to prepare and file fake Federal income tax returns using the stolen identities of more than 800 U.S. citizens including Puerto Rican residents, in order to obtain tax refund checks. The

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pair also reportedly sold more than 16 tax refund checks valuing over \$100,000 to one individual. <http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/two-massachusetts-men-indicted-massive-stolen-identity-tax-refund-fraud-scheme>

(Georgia) Former bank teller pleads guilty to theft of public money. A Columbus woman pleaded guilty in Federal court December 3 to one-count of theft of public money while she worked at a Suntrust Bank branch from February 2013 to May 2014 in which she cashed approximately 361 fraudulent tax returns to the U.S. Internal Revenue Service worth \$780,760.17 for numerous people in exchange for a fee. <http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/former-bank-teller-pleads-guilty-theft-public-money>

(International) Sixteen additional FIFA officials indicted for racketeering conspiracy and corruption. Officials from the U.S. Department of Justice unsealed a 92-count indictment December 3 that charged numerous high-ranking members of the International Federation of Association Football's (FIFA) Executive Committee, Confederation of North, Central American, and Caribbean Association of Football (CONCACAF), and other suspects with ties to global soccer organizations for their role in a 24-year racketeering, wire fraud, and money laundering scheme in which soccer officials accepted over \$200 million in bribes to sell lucrative media rights for tournaments and matches. <http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/sixteen-additional-fifa-officials-indicted-racketeering-conspiracy-and-corruption>

CHEMICAL AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

COMMERCIAL FACILITIES

(California; Washington, D.C.) FBI investigating suspicious package sent to Bay Area Muslim civil rights group. Officials deemed an unknown white substance as safe after the Washington, D.C. and Santa Clara, California offices of the Council

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on American-Islamic Relations (CAIR) received packages containing white powder December 10. The group's Santa Clara office was evacuated after a staffer opened the package and was transported to an area hospital as a precaution.

<http://abc7news.com/news/suspicious-substance-prompts-santa-clara-office-evacuation/1118029/>

(New Jersey) Wyndham settles FTC data breach charges. Wyndham Worldwide Corp. agreed to settle charges December 9 filed by the U.S. Federal Trade Commission to resolve allegations that the company failed to properly safeguard information on 619,000 customers following 3 data breaches in which attackers hacked into the company's computer system and stole customers' payment card and personal information, resulting in more than \$10.6 million in fraudulent charges. As part of the settlement, Wyndham is required to comply with a widely used industry standard to protect the safety of payment card information.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-wyndham-ftc-cybersecurity-idUSKBN0TS24220151209#RHSWcQQVCPUHqTt0.97>

(National) Security breach at restaurant chain Elephant Bar may affect customers' cards across 7 states. Dallas-based CM Ebar, LLC reported December 8 that payment processing systems for its Elephant Bar restaurants were compromised and may have exposed an unknown amount of customers' names and payment card information across seven States after a forensic investigation revealed that individuals installed malicious software onto payment systems. Customers who used their debit or credit cards from August 12 – December 4 were affected. <http://www.nbcsandiego.com/news/local/Security-Breach-at-Restaurant-Chain-Elephant-Bar-May-Affect-Customers-Cards-Across-7-States-361080981.html>

COMMUNICATIONS SECTOR

(National) Popular mobile modems plagued by zero-day flaws. Security researchers with Positive Technologies tested mobile broadband modems and routers from Huawei, Gemtek, Quanta, and ZTE and found that the 3G/4G devices were vulnerable to remote code execution, had cross-site scripting (XSS) vulnerabilities, and lacked cross-site request forgery (CSRF) protection, among other issues, leaving the devices open to attackers for exploitation. Huawei was

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the only vendor that released firmware updates addressing the vulnerabilities, out of the four companies tested. <http://www.securityweek.com/popular-mobile-modems-plagued-zero-day-flaws>

CRITICAL MANUFACTURING

(International) Ship data recorders vulnerable to hacker attacks. A researcher from IOActive released a report addressing serious vulnerabilities in a Furuno voyage data recorder (VRD), used in ships, including weak encryption, insecure authentication, a defective firmware mechanism, services plagued by buffer overflow, and command injection vulnerabilities that can be exploited by an unauthenticated attacker with access to the vessel's network in order to remotely execute arbitrary commands with root privileges, fully compromising the devices. <http://www.securityweek.com/ship-data-recorders-vulnerable-hacker-attacks>

(National) Basler Electric recalls transformers due to fire, shock hazards. Basler Electric Company issued a nationwide recall December 9 for approximately 11,900 Basler Class 2 electric transformers due to fire and electrical shock hazards prompted by a potential circuit breaker trip failure. The products were sold from September 2014 to November 2014 to various manufacturers and distributors. <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/Recall-Alerts/2016/Basler-Electric-Recalls-Transformers/>

(National) Kubota recalls utility vehicle due to fire hazard. Kubota Tractor Corporation issued a nationwide recall December 8 for approximately 11,500 model year 2013 – 2015 Kubota RTV-X1100C series diesel-powered utility vehicles after receiving 7 reports of fires caused by combustible debris that can make contact with the exhaust manifold and ignite. Products were sold at authorized Kubota dealers nationwide between October 2013 and October 2015. <http://www.cpsc.gov/en/Recalls/Recall-Alerts/2016/Kubota-Recalls-Utility-Vehicle/>

DEFENSE/ INDUSTRY BASE SECTOR

Nothing Significant to Report

EMERGENCY SERVICES

(Oregon; Washington) Two dead, thousands without power after US Pacific Northwest storms. Heavy storms across Seattle and Oregon triggered mudslides and flooding December 8 which closed multiple roadways and interstate highways until at least December 10, prompted school closures for 3 consecutive days, killed 2 people, and left approximately 26,000 customers in Portland and 37,000 customers in Seattle without power.

<http://www.cnn.com/2015/12/10/two-dead-thousands-without-power-after-us-pacific-northwest-storms.html>

(Illinois) U.S. Dept. of Justice to investigate Chicago Police Department. The U.S. Department of Justice announced December 7 that it launched an investigation into the Chicago Police Department to determine if the department uses patterns of violence that violates Federal law following an October 2014 officer-involved shooting death of a teenager. <http://abc7chicago.com/news/us-dept-of-justice-to-investigate-cpd-/1112453/>

(New Mexico) Computer trouble interferes with Bernalillo County jail, other operations. Crews worked to restore service to the Bernalillo County government's computer systems December 3 following an outage that knocked out the county's Web site and email system. The outage disrupted some operations and held up the release of jail inmates.

<http://www.abqjournal.com/685371/news/abq-news/computer-trouble-interferes-with-bernalillo-county-jail-other-operations.html>

ENERGY

(California) ExxonMobil's Torrance refinery hit by another emergency hazardous materials leak. Authorities responded to ExxonMobil's Torrance refinery December 4 following reports of fuel vapor and highly toxic hydrogen sulfide

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escaping from a dime-sized hole in a pressurized 8-inch pipe. Crews repaired water monitors, preventing offsite impacts and patched the pipe.

<http://www.dailybreeze.com/general-news/20151208/exxonmobils-torrance-refinery-hit-by-another-emergency-hazardous-materials-leak>

(Texas) Workers escape serious injury after plant explosion. A December 3 explosion at the Anadarko Petroleum Corporation-operated Ramsey Natural Gas Processing Plant near Orla, Texas, prompted over 250 oil workers to evacuate, caused a mandatory evacuation of people within a 10-mile radius, and left 2 workers with minor injuries. Operations at the plant were reduced and the cause of the explosion is under investigation.

<http://www.currentargus.com/story/news/local/new-mexico/2015/12/03/major-explosion-texas-gas-plant/76723494/>

(West Virginia) Executive convicted in West Virginia mine explosion that killed 29. A Federal jury in West Virginia convicted the former Massey Energy chief executive December 3 for conspiring to willfully violate mine safety standards and for defrauding mine regulators following the 2010 coal mine explosion at West Virginia's Upper Big Branch mine that killed 29 men.

<http://www.latimes.com/nation/nationnow/la-na-nn-mine-explosion-trial-20151203-story.html>

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE

(Alabama) Agriculture disaster designation approved for 25 Alabama counties.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture declared that 25 Alabama counties were eligible for Secretarial Natural Disaster Designation December 9 following excessive rain, wind, and flooding that caused extensive damage to crops and negatively impacted the 2015 growing season. Farmers in the affected counties can request Farm Service Agency emergency loans over the next 8 months.

<http://governor.alabama.gov/newsroom/2015/12/agriculture-disaster-designation-approved-25-alabama-counties/>

(Massachusetts) Norovirus strikes 120 Boston College students who ate at Chipotle. Officials reported December 9 that at least 120 Boston College students and others from the surrounding community were sickened by norovirus after

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eating at a Boston area Chipotle Mexican Grill, Inc. restaurant that remained closed for extensive cleaning and a full sanitization. The Massachusetts school issued a health alert and stated that it would close self-serve cafeteria sections and thoroughly clean common areas.

<http://www.usatoday.com/story/news/2015/12/09/norovirus-boston-college-outbreak/77046408/>

GOVERNMENT SECTOR (INCLUDING SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES)

(Mississippi) Students charged in bomb threat at Warren Central Jr. High.

Authorities arrested two Warren Central Jr. High School students December 9 after the Vicksburg school was evacuated following the discovery of a device in a backpack. A bomb squad safely detonated the device and investigators charged the students. <http://whlt.com/2015/12/09/students-charged-in-bomb-threat-at-warren-central-jr-high/>

(Ohio) Ohio man accused of making threats against military members. An Ohio man was charged December 8 for allegedly posting the names and addresses of 100 members of the military on social media and calling for them to be killed. A spokesman from the Cleveland U.S. attorney's office stated that the information was reposted and did not originate from the man. <http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/ohio-man-accused-making-threats-military-members-35658937>

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

(International) Stealthy backdoor compromised global organizations since 2013: FireEye. Researchers from FireEye reported that the malicious backdoor malware dubbed, LATENTBOT primarily targets the financial services and insurance sectors to steal passwords, record keystrokes, transfer files, and enable attached microphones or webcams by leveraging malicious emails with contaminated Word documents created with Microsoft Word Intruder (MWI) exploit kit (EK)

that when opened, executes malicious code and connects to a MWISTAT server and a LuminosityLink, a remote access trojan (RAT).

<http://www.securityweek.com/stealthy-backdoor-compromised-global-organizations-2013-fireeye>

(International) DNS Root servers hit by DDoS attack. Researchers from RootOps reported that a large-scale denial-of-service (DDoS) attack on the Internet's Domain Name System (DNS) root servers caused timeouts for the B, C, G, and H node servers after 2 attacks blasted up to 5 million queries per second per DNS root name server. The DDoS attacks did not cause serious damage.

<http://news.softpedia.com/news/dns-root-servers-hit-by-ddos-attack-497363.shtml>

(International) Many Cisco products plagued by deserializations flaws. Cisco Systems reported that it is investigating which of its products are affected by the Java deserialization vulnerability that can be exploited for remote code execution (RCE) via the Apache Commons Collections library due to the failure of developers to ensure that untrusted serialized data is not accepted for deserialization. Cisco will release software updates addressing the flaw.

<http://www.securityweek.com/many-cisco-products-plagued-deserialization-flaws>

(International) Barbeques are now hackable thanks to ever-evolving technology. Two American security researchers discovered that smart Internet of Things (IoT) devices can be easily abused after discovering ways to infiltrate the BBQ Guru-owned CyberQ Wifi BBQ Control, which comes manufactured with Internet capabilities, via a malicious Uniform Resource Locator (URL) code crafted by attackers intended to deceive a CyberQ owner into opening the link via a simple spear phishing campaign. Once the malicious link is opened, hackers can access the user's privileges and command the barbeque to alter its behavior.

<http://news.softpedia.com/news/barbeques-are-now-hackable-thanks-to-ever-evolving-technology-497418.shtml>

(International) Critical flaw found in AVG, McAfee, Kaspersky products.

Researchers from enSilo discovered a serious vulnerability in AVG, McAfee, and Kaspersky security products that allows attackers to bypass Windows protection protocol and exploit vulnerabilities in third-party applications to compromise the

underlying system in a multi-stage attack. AVG, McAfee, and Kaspersky patched the flaws in each of their systems. <http://www.securityweek.com/critical-flaw-found-avg-mcafee-kaspersky-products>

(International) Microsoft warns of imminent end of support for all but the latest Internet Explorer versions. Microsoft reported that the company will no longer provide security updates, non-security updates, online content updates, or technical support for older versions of its web browser, Internet Explorer in an attempt to encourage users to upgrade from Internet Explorer 11 to Microsoft Edge and Windows 10. <http://www.net-security.org/secworld.php?id=19197>

(International) Serious flaws found in Honeywell gas detectors. Honeywell released firmware updates to its Midas gas detectors after a security researcher discovered that Midas gas detectors running firmware versions 1.13b1 and older, and Midas Black products running firmware versions 2.13b1 and older, were susceptible to a path traversal flaw and a clear text flaw that can be exploited remotely by an attacker with low skill by typing a targeted Uniform Resource Locator (URL) into the device to bypass authentication procedures. <http://www.securityweek.com/serious-flaws-found-honeywell-gas-detectors>

PUBLIC HEALTH

(California) 4 dead in California medical helicopter crash. A pilot, flight paramedic, flight nurse, and patient were killed after a SkyLife 4 medical helicopter crashed December 10 in Kern County. <http://www.cnn.com/2015/12/11/us/medical-helicopter-crash/index.html>

(International) Boston Scientific recalls Chariot Guiding Sheaths, citing complications. Boston Scientific Corp.'s Maple Grove facility warned doctors and hospitals November 19 to stop using its Chariot Guiding Sheaths as part of a global recall for 7,000 devices due to parts that can break off during medical procedures and obstruct blood flow. Federal officials announced the recall in December and classified it as Class 1. <http://www.startribune.com/boston-scientific-recalls-chariot-guiding-sheaths-citing-complications/361361441/>

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(Connecticut) Middlesex Hospital suffers patient data security breach. Middlesex Hospital in Middletown announced December 8 that it will notify 946 patients of an October phishing scam and data breach that may have compromised patients' personal and medical information. <http://fox61.com/2015/12/08/middlesex-hospital-suffers-patient-data-security-breach/>

(Indiana) HIV outbreak in southern Indiana now at 184 cases. The Indiana State Department of Health reported December 4 that the total number of HIV cases reached 184 in a reported outbreak tied to needle-sharing among individuals injecting a liquefied form of a painkiller in Scott County. <http://ksnt.com/2015/12/06/hiv-outbreak-in-southern-indiana-now-at-184-cases/>

TRANSPORTATION

(Massachusetts) Train leaves station without operator, passes 4 stations. A 6-car Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority train carrying approximately 50 passengers left the Braintree Station in Boston without a driver December 10 and went through 4 stations before officials got on board and drove it to the JFK/UMass stop where passengers disembarked. Authorities are investigating the incident. http://www.journalreview.com/news/article_ebb9c554-de08-5456-b10e-a55745dd7f3f.html

(California) FAA imposes temporary flight restrictions over gas leak near Porter Ranch. Federal Aviation Administration officials announced December 10 that planes flying lower than 2,000 feet were banned from flying over a gas leak in Porter Ranch through March 2016 due to concerns that fumes from the leak could be ignited. <http://losangeles.cbslocal.com/2015/12/10/faa-imposes-temporary-flight-restriction-over-gas-leak-near-porter-ranch/>

(California) U.S. EPA and customs joint operations at California Ports results in illegal vehicles and engines seized or turned back at border. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and U.S. Customs and Border Protection charged 8 companies a total of \$94,700 in fines December 9 after the companies allegedly violated the Federal Clean Air Act or Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act by importing foreign-made vehicles and equipment without

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proper emission controls, and by importing illegal pesticides at the ports of Los Angeles, Long Beach, and Oakland. More than 1,394 items were seized, exported, or destroyed as part of the agency's attempts to uphold the Clean Air Act.

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/0/D4601695D9F1AE7A85257F160063DE13>

(Washington) BNSF fined \$71K for late reports on oil leaks, hazardous spills along railways. BNSF Railway was fined \$71,700 by the Washington State Utilities and Transportation Commission December 7 for failing to report 14 cases of crude oil leaks and other hazardous spills along the State's railway.

<http://q13fox.com/2015/12/07/utc-bnsf-fined-71k-for-late-reports-on-oil-leaks-hazardous-spills-along-railways/>

(Tennessee) CSX paid local agencies more than \$430K for train derailment. CSX Transportation paid over \$431,000 to local agencies in Blount County and the cities of Maryville and Alcoa December 4 as reimbursement to officials who responded to the July 1 evacuation and cleanup that lasted 2 day after a train carrying hazardous material derailed and caught fire in eastern Tennessee.

<http://www.local8now.com/news/headlines/CSX-paid-local-agencies-more-than-430K-for-train-derailment-360541301.html>

WATER AND DAMS

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NORTH DAKOTA HOMELAND SECURITY CONTACTS

To report a homeland security incident, please contact your local law enforcement agency or one of these agencies: **North Dakota State and Local Intelligence Center:** 866-885-8295(IN ND ONLY); Email: ndslic@nd.gov; Fax: 701-328-8175 **State Radio:** 800-472-2121; **Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI):** 701-328-5500; **North Dakota Highway Patrol:** 701-328-2455; **US Attorney's Office Intel Analyst:** 701-297-7400; **Bismarck FBI:** 701-223-4875; **Fargo FBI:** 701-232-7241.

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